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Governor Quinn Announces Food Assistance Now Available for 33 Counties Impacted by Flooding

*Disaster SNAP applications available starting
Monday, June 17*

SPRINGFIELD, Illinois – Governor Pat Quinn today announced that the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) will offer immediate food assistance in 33 counties impacted by flooding beginning Monday, June 17. The USDA's Food and Nutrition Services has authorized IDHS to offer special Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to residents in those counties declared federal disaster areas as a result of flooding in April.

"I have taken every step necessary to ensure that families across the state have the resources they need to recover from these historic floods," Governor Quinn said. "We have gained federal aid for individuals, businesses and governments, but we must also ensure our residents are getting life's daily necessities, including access to food. This assistance will provide all those affected by the flooding with extra benefits to buy groceries and take care of their families."

Individuals may be eligible for Disaster SNAP if they live in specific areas in the affected counties. To qualify, persons must have had damage to home or business, paid disaster-related expenses that were not reimbursed, or loss or reduction of income as a result of the disaster during the period of 4/16/13 through 5/15/13. **Applicants must bring proof of identity, proof of residence in a disaster area prior to the disaster, and any unreimbursed disaster expenses paid during the dates of 4/16/13-5/15/13.**

Disaster SNAP benefits will be provided to families based on total income and assets available to a household during the flood. Non-reimbursed disaster-related expenses are allowed as a deduction from income and assets if verification of the expense is provided. A qualifying one-person household with a monthly net income less than \$1,549 would receive a maximum of \$200 in benefits; a two person family with a monthly income less than \$1,879 would receive a

maximum of \$367 in benefits. Most benefits will be available within five days of the date of application.

Persons receiving regular SNAP benefits that were affected by the flood may also apply for this special program. They may qualify for additional SNAP benefits to bring their benefit level up to the maximum benefit amount for April 2013. Active SNAP recipients that already received the maximum benefit amount for their unit size are not eligible for additional benefits.

Applications will be accepted from June 17 through June 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. To accommodate working families, offices will open at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday (6/18, 6/20). People must apply in person at the designated Disaster SNAP office for their county of residence and complete a paper application. In addition, for some counties, eligibility is limited to residents of certain zip codes (listed below). For more information, residents can call their local IDHS office or visit the IDHS website at www.dhs.state.il.us.

SNAP benefits can be used to purchase food for human consumption, but cannot be used to buy alcoholic drinks, tobacco products or non-food products. Benefits must be used within 90 days.

In accordance with federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, IDHS is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the department.

Persons committing fraud with SNAP will be disqualified from the program, and may be fined up to \$250,000, receive a prison term of up to 20 years, or both.

Individuals are not required to register with FEMA to apply for DSNAP.

Residents of Cook County are only eligible for Disaster SNAP benefits if they live in one of the following zip codes:

	60107	60201	60443	60487
60004	60118	60202	60445	60501
60010	60120	60203	60452	60513
60015	60130	60302	60453	60521
60016	60131	60304	60455	60523
60018	60133	60305	60457	60525
60025	60153	60402	60458	60526
60026	60154	60406	60459	60527
60053	60155	60409	60461	60534
60056	60160	60411	60462	60546
60062	60162	60415	60466	60558
60067	60163	60419	60467	60608
60068	60164	60422	60469	60609
60076	60165	60423	60471	60612
60077	60169	60425	60472	60615
60090	60171	60426	60473	60616
60091	60172	60428	60475	60617
60093	60176	60429	60476	60618
60104	60193	60430	60477	60619
60106	60194	60438	60478	60620

60621	60630	60639	60651	60707
60622	60631	60641	60652	60712
60623	60632	60643	60653	60714
60624	60633	60644	60655	60803
60625	60634	60645	60656	60804
60626	60636	60646	60659	60805
60628	60637	60647	60660	60827
60629	60638	60649	60706	

Applicants who reside in the above zip codes must apply at one of the following Family Community Resource Centers (FCRCs) in Cook County:

Calumet Park

831 W. 119th St.
Chicago, IL 60643-5274
Phone: (773) 660-4700
Nextalk: (866) 439-3713

Englewood

5323 S. Western Ave.
Chicago, IL 60609-5436
Phone: (773) 918-6700
Nextalk: (866) 214-9360

Roseland

11203 S. Ellis Ave.
Chicago, IL 60628-4696
Phone: (773) 660-7000
Nextalk: (866) 214-8514

Northern

8020 St. Louis St.
Skokie, IL 60076-2923
Phone: (847) 745-3200
Nextalk: (866) 321-8261

Northwest

4105 W. Chicago Ave.
Chicago, IL 60651-3623
Phone: (773) 265-7000
Nextalk: (866) 321-9119

West Suburban

2701 W. Lake
Melrose Park, IL 60160-3041
Phone: (708) 338-7600
Nextalk: (866) 439-3720

For applications residing outside of Cook County, please see below for eligible counties, eligible zip codes within the county (if applicable), and the designated Disaster SNAP FCRC.

DSNAP County	Family Community Resource Center Accepting Disaster SNAP Application
Brown	Schuyler FCRC 111 E. Washington St. Rushville, IL 62681-1428 Phone: (217) 322-3377 Nextalk: (866) 900-0920
Bureau	Bureau FCRC 225 Backbone Road East #2 Princeton, IL 61356-9543 Phone: (815) 875-1134 Nextalk: (866) 322-3173
Calhoun	Jersey FCRC 110 N. Jefferson St. Jerseyville, IL 62052-1726 Phone: (618) 498-2105 Nextalk: (866) 900-0915
Clark	Edgar FCRC 11773 Illinois Hwy. 1 Paris, IL 61944-8309 Phone: (217) 465-6491 Nextalk: (866) 383-4370
Crawford	Crawford FCRC 1110 N. Allen St. Robinson, IL 62454-1116 Phone: (618) 544-3151 Nextalk: (866) 324-4266
DeKalb	DeKalb FCRC 1629 Afton Rd. Sycamore, IL 60178-3253 Phone: (815) 895-8667 Nextalk: (866) 322-8423
Douglas	Douglas FCRC 207 E. Ficklin Tuscola, IL 61953-1811 Phone: (217) 253-3347 Nextalk: (866) 383-3519
DuPage	DuPage FCRC 146 W. Roosevelt Rd. Villa Oaks Office Concourse-Suite 2 Phone: (630) 530-1120 Nextalk: (866) 322-3092
Fulton	Fulton FCRC 1329 N. Main St. Lewistown, IL 61542-9674 Phone: (309) 547-3755 Nextalk: (866) 451-5783
Grundy	LaSalle FCRC 1560 First Ave. Ottawa, IL 61350-4823 Phone: (815) 433-1572 Nextalk: (866) 451-5770

Henderson	McDonough FCRC 1026 E. Jackson St. Macomb, IL 61455-2520 Phone: (309) 833-4127 Nextalk: (866) 322-7260
Henry	Henry FCRC 125 W. South St., Suite 14 Kewanee, IL 61443-3764 Phone: (309) 852-5627 Nextalk: (866) 451-5772
Kane – Zip Codes of 60102, 60118, 60119, 60120, 60123, 60134, 60174, 60177, 60502, 60503, 60504, 60505, 60506, 60510, 60538, 60542, 60554	Kane-Aurora FCRC 361 Old Indian Trail Aurora, IL 60506-2430 Phone: (630) 844-7400 Nextalk: (866) 323-0616
Kendall	Kane-Aurora FCRC 361 Old Indian Trail Aurora, IL 60506-2430 Phone: (630) 844-7400 Nextalk: (866) 323-0616
Knox	Knox FCRC 477 E. Main St., Suite 100 Galesburg, IL 61401-4957 Phone: (309) 342-8144 Nextalk: (866) 451-5771
Lake – Zip codes of 60002, 60010, 60015, 60020, 60031, 60035, 60041, 60046, 60047, 60048, 60060, 60064, 60069, 60073, 60085, 60087, 60099	Lake FCRC 3235 W. Belvidere Rd. Park City, IL 60085-6017 Phone: (847) 336-5212 Nextalk: (866) 322-3172
LaSalle	LaSalle FCRC 1560 First Ave. Ottawa, IL 61350-4823 Phone: (815) 433-1572 Nextalk: (866) 451-5770
Livingston	LaSalle FCRC 1560 First Ave. Ottawa, IL 61350-4823 Phone: (815) 433-1572 Nextalk: (866) 451-5770
Marshall	Bureau FCRC 225 Backbone Rd. East #2 Princeton, IL 61356-9543 Phone: (815) 875-1134 Nextalk: (866) 322-3173
Mason	Mason FCRC 323 W. Main St. Havana, IL 62644-1194 Phone: (309) 543-3329 Nextalk: (866) 451-5768

McDonough	McDonough FCRC 1026 E. Jackson St. Macomb, IL 61455-2520 Phone: (309) 833-4127 Nextalk: (866) 322-7260
McHenry	McHenry FCRC 512 Clay St. Woodstock, IL 60098-6009 Phone: (815) 338-0234 Nextalk: (866) 383-1869
Peoria – Zip codes of 61517, 61523, 61525, 61528, 61529, 61603, 61604, 61605, 61606, 60607, 61614, 61615, 61616	Peoria FCRC 2301 NE Adams St., Suite D Peoria, IL 61603-2983 Phone: (309) 686-8700 Nextalk: (866) 451-5763
Pike	Adams FCRC 300 Maine St., 2 nd Fl. Quincy, IL 62301-3922 Phone: (217) 223-0550 Nextalk: (866) 740-3926
Rock Island	Rock Island FCRC 500 42 nd St., Suite 6 2 nd Fl. Rock Island, IL 61201-2155 Phone: (309) 794-9530 Nextalk: (866) 321-0909
Schuyler	Schuyler FCRC 111 E. Washington St. Rushville, IL 62681-1428 Phone: (217) 322-3377 Nextalk: (866) 900-0920
Stark	Henry FCRC 125 W. South St., Suite 14 Kewanee, IL 61443-3764 Phone: (309) 852-5627 Nextalk: (866) 451-5772
Tazewell – Zip codes of 61554, 61571, 61610, 61611	Tazewell FCRC 200 S. Second St., Suite 20 Pekin, IL 61554-4083 Phone: (309) 347-4184 Nextalk: (866) 324-3820
Whiteside	Whiteside FCRC 2605 Woodlawn Rd. Sterling, IL 61081-4174 Phone: (815) 632-4045 Nextalk: (866) 323-4849
Will – Zip codes of 60403, 60404, 60410, 60417, 60423, 60431, 60432, 60433, 60435, 60436, 60440, 60441, 60446, 60449, 60451, 60475, 60484, 60490, 60491, 60503, 60544, 60564, 60565, 60585, 60586	Will FCRC 45 E. Webster St. Joliet, IL 60432-4067 Phone: (815) 740-5350 Nextalk: (866) 322-2586

Winnebago – Zip codes of 61115, 61073	Winnebago FCRC 1111 N. Avon St. Rockford, IL 61101-5898 Phone: (815) 987-7620 Nextalk: (866) 322-2681
Woodford	Peoria FCRC 2301 NE Adams St., Suite D Peoria, IL 61603-2983 Phone: (309) 686-8700 Nextalk: (866) 451-5763